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This electronic newsletter is designed to keep you current on issues affecting the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta.

Final chapters of BDCP admin draft now available for review

With this week's release of the final five chapters, the public can review the entire administrative draft of the Bay Delta Conservation Plan (BDCP). Chapters 8-12 include

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information on funding sources and cost estimates to implement the plan during its proposed 50-year term. There is also information on how independent scientific data were used to help develop the BDCP. A public meeting to discuss these chapters will be held Wednesday, July 17, in Sacramento. Details of the meeting are still being developed and will be posted on the <u>BDCP website</u> after they are finalized.

Congressional group delivers letter in support of the BDCP

U.S. Senator Dianne Feinstein and 12 of California's congressional representatives are showing their support for the BDCP in a <u>letter</u> sent to Gov. Edmund G. Brown Jr. and Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell. The group says it is backing "the work on the BDCP process as it lets the public evaluate how the BDCP achieves the most appropriate water conveyance and ecosystem conservation plan."

Statewide survey reveals contaminants in Delta fish

A <u>survey</u> of California's rivers and streams found that fish toward the top of the Delta food chain had a high accumulation of methylmercury. Largemouth, smallmouth and striped bass, along with Sacramento pikeminnow, were shown to have high levels. However, at a majority of other locations sampled around the state, concentrations of methylmercury and pesticides in sport fish were found to be low. Details are available in this <u>news release</u> from the State Water Resources Control Board.

Dates set for upcoming board, commission meetings

Dates for upcoming meetings are being set by several groups. The <u>Central Valley Flood Protection Board</u> will meet Friday, June 14, in Sacramento. The <u>California Water Commission</u> will meet Wednesday, June 19, and the <u>Delta Protection Commission</u> on Thursday, July 25, at locations to be determined. Agendas for all meetings will be posted on the respective websites.

Newsletter covers the update of the State Wildlife Action Plan The California Department of Fish and Wildlife has started publishing a monthly newsletter for the <u>State</u> <u>Wildlife Action Plan</u> (SWAP). The newsletter will provide details on the effort to update the original SWAP, which has been in place since 2005. Subscription information and a SWAP fact sheet are available here.



Rating system can help projects meet sustainability goals The Institute for Sustainable Infrastructure (ISI) is providing access to a rating system that can help communities and design teams evaluate the benefits of infrastructure projects. The <a href="Envision system">Envision system</a> takes community, environmental and economic benefits into account to help meet sustainability goals. Details are available on the ISI website. <a href="Registration">Registration</a> is required to access the rating system.



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